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In response to the Office Action dated July 22, 2002, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry of record in the above-identified patent application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 29 and 30, without prejudice or disclaimer, and please amend

Claim 23 to read as follows:

23. (Amended) An electrical contact to a region of a silicon-containing substrate comprising:

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